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## HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 7, 2022

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Navaeh Sena for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award.

Navaeh Sena is a student at Arvada West High School and received this award because her determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Navaeh Sena is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Navaeh Sena for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassador for Youth award. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of her future accomplishments.

IN HONOR OF THE LIFE AND  
LEGACY OF PFC MICHAEL VANCIL

## HON. DEBBIE DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mrs. DINGELL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Private First Class Michael Vancil, a native of Detroit, Michigan on what would be his 75th Birthday. He was killed in action during the Vietnam War, and his service to our nation and his ultimate sacrifice is worthy of commendation.

Michael Vancil was born to Warren and Socorro Vancil on March 11, 1947, in Detroit, Michigan. Growing up he spent time at home in Detroit with his loving siblings David, Arthur, Joseph, Bruce, and Nina. A gifted fisherman, he could often be found fishing around Southeast Michigan and dancing with friends around town. At age 17, he heard the call of his country and decided to join the fight. He enlisted in the United States Marine Corps on October 7, 1964, joining Company C, 1st Battalion, 4th Marines, 3rd Marine Division (Rein) FMF.

During his deployment, he was assigned to patrol the Thùra Thiên Hué province, providing defense in a vital area of South Vietnam. On June 17, 1966, near Route 546 and Highway 1, CAC 7 Alpha lay in their ambush site providing essential defense. The Viet Cong opened fire on the Marine patrolmen and Private First Class Vancil was killed by hostile rifle fire at age 19.

Private First Class Vancil is buried at Mount Olivet Cemetery in his hometown of Detroit,

Michigan. His memory is enshrined forever at Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C. where his name is listed at Panel 8E, Line 59. He is also enshrined at the Veterans Memorial Wall at the John D. Dingell, VA Medical Center in Detroit, Michigan that honors City of Detroit residents who lost their lives in combat.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the life and legacy of Private First Class Michael Vancil for his invaluable service to this nation. He showed courage and patriotism at such a young age, and his sacrifice has never been forgotten. Private First Class Vancil gave his all. We are grateful for his honorable service and know that his legacy lives on through his loving family and friends.

RECOGNIZING THE CENTENNIAL  
OF THE ROBERT R. TUCK VET-  
ERANS OF FOREIGN WARS POST  
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## HON. BRIAN BABIN

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 7, 2022

Mr. BABIN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the centennial of the Robert R. Tuck Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 912 in Baytown, Texas.

VFW Post 912 was first organized on March 9, 1922, by Fred E. Simpson, John L. Bartlett, and Grover K. Edge. This Post, the second oldest VFW post in Texas, was named in honor of the first Baytown citizen killed in action during World War I, Robert R. Tuck. Their initial meetings were held in tents and buildings owned by the then-Humble Oil and Refining Company. The oil industry was flourishing across the region, and many veterans moved there to work following World War I. The Post has had many outstanding commanders over the years. One such individual was George L. Kenne, a member who served as the Post Commander in 1937. He was the second most decorated soldier in World War I.

In July of 1941, almost two decades after being organized, the Post finally established its first permanent location. They began hosting fundraisers consisting of dances and raffles with fifty-cent admission per civilian and a quarter per service member. This tradition would continue to the present day.

The Post moved one more time before settling into its current location in 1977. After receiving significant flood damage from Hurricane Harvey in 2017, the Post used reserve funds and fundraiser revenue to resume operations within just six months.

Over the last century, the locations and members of VFW Post 912 have changed, but their mission to serve the needs of veterans and their families has not. They have hosted fundraisers and been a part of many important

programs throughout the years, such as the VFW Buddy Poppy program, which aids disabled and disadvantaged veterans. The red poppy flowers assembled within the program symbolize the bloodshed in World War I and are given out before Memorial Day each year.

The Post also hosts "turkey shoot" fundraisers in which its members and community supporters shoot at targets to win frozen turkeys, hams, or bacon.

VFW Post 912 has been a steadfast servant of the Baytown community. Along with a local Boy Scout troop, Post members would raise the American flag at local football games before the Junior ROTC took over the duty in 1979. Today, members ensure flags are placed on the graves of local veterans for Memorial Day. Over the decades, the Post has sponsored a baseball team, a local Boy Scout Troop, a beauty pageant, a marble tournament, a Voice of Democracy contest, a writing contest for high school students, and a bowling team. They have also given out numerous scholarships to local high school students and entertained patients at Houston's Michael E. DeBakey Veteran Affairs Medical Center.

Madam Speaker, I would like to congratulate the members of the Robert R. Tuck, VFW Post 912 on their centennial and thank them for their unwavering service to their nation and community. May God continue to bless our veterans and Post 912 for many years to come.

JEREMY CHAVEZ, JR.

## HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Jeremy Chavez, Jr. for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award.

Jeremy Chavez, Jr. is a student at Arvada High School and received this award because his determination and hard work have allowed him to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Jeremy Chavez, Jr. is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Jeremy Chavez, Jr. for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassador for Youth award. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of his future accomplishments.

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